

February 1, 2002

Dear Nursing Facility Provider:

There was a system processing error for Medicaid nursing home payments on the January 25, 2002 Remittance Advice (RA).

You will not receive a paper RA for your payment of February 5, 2002. The February 5, 2002 payment amount was determined by including your efficiency grant (intergovernmental transfer) for the month of January plus your claims process amount adjusted by an estimated surplus amount. The estimated surplus amount was based on the state-wide average percentage.

For those nursing homes who received any information relating to the RA of January 25, 2002, the amount **does not reflect a deduction for surplus**. The corrected claims processed information for the January 25, 2002 RA will be included in your February 8, 2002 RA. The Division of Medical Services (DMS) will make every attempt to mail the February 8, 2002 RA during the week of February 11, 2002.

It is DMS' intent that the February 5, 2002 payments will be reconciled for the proper surplus and payment corrected on your February 20, 2002 check.

On behalf of DMS I appreciate your patience. If you have questions after reviewing this, please contact the Provider Communications Unit at 1-800-392-0938 or Kathy Brown of my staff at 573-751-7996.

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